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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Before examination on the merits, please amend this continuation application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows. All pending claims after this amendment are listed below for the convenience of the Examiner. Claims amended by the Amendment are indicated as such.

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✓ Please cancel claims 4-19 and 21.

1. (Amended) A computer-implemented method for shaping the output of

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cells on an output path of a data transmitting device, the data transmitting device being

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